

NOTICE OF APPEAL AND APPEAL BOND: DANGEROUS DOG (Sec. 822.0424, H.S.C.)

CAUSE NUMBER: _____

IN RE: _____ § IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT
_____ § CITY OF _____
(Name or Description of Dog) § _____ COUNTY, TEXAS

Whereas, after a hearing under Section 822.0423, Health and Safety Code, this Court has found that the dog described as a _____ (gender and breed) dog owned by _____ (name of owner) and known as “_____” (name of dog) is a dangerous dog, as that term is defined by Section 822.041(2), Health and Safety Code, [and that Owner has failed to comply with the requirements for the owner of a dangerous dog under Section 822.042, Health and Safety Code], from which judgment _____ [owner’s name] desires to appeal to the County Court (at Law) of _____ County, Texas; and

Requests a jury trial.

Whereas, appellant desires to suspend execution of said judgment pending determination of such appeal;

I, as principal, am hereby depositing in cash in lieu of sureties with the Municipal Court the sum of _____ dollars \$_____ (amount of bond set by judge.)

WE, _____ (name of appellant), as principal, and _____ [either _____ (name of surety company), a corporate surety company duly qualified and authorized to do business in Texas, or _____ (name) and _____ (name), two good and sufficient sureties], as surety, acknowledge ourselves bound to pay to the Municipal Court, the sum of _____ dollars \$_____ (amount of bond set by judge),

the estimated expenses incurred in housing and caring for the animal(s) while impounded during the appeal process, conditioned, however, that the above-named principal shall prosecute the appeal with effect and shall pay off and satisfy:

(1) any cost or fee assessed by the City of _____ related to the seizure, acceptance, impoundment, or destruction of the dog, as well as

(2) the estimated expenses of housing and caring for the animal(s) during the appeal process, that may be rendered against Appellant on appeal;

of which sum I am held and bound to the State of Texas.

The sum of _____ dollars (\$_____) was deposited with the Court by (cash)(money order)(cashier's check) and bond filed on the _____ day of _____, 20__.

Witness our hands this the _____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature of Principal Mailing Address

Signature of Surety Mailing Address

Signature of Surety Mailing Address

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Judge, Municipal Court
City of _____
_____ County, Texas

Editor’s Note: Effective September 1, 2015, the court shall determine the estimated costs to house and care for the impounded dog during the appeal process and shall set the amount of bond for an appeal adequate to cover those estimated costs. Sec. 822.0423, H.S.C.